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Title: SAMPLE TREATING KIT AND SAMPLE TREATING METHOD USING THE  
SAME FOR ANALYSIS WITH A BIOSENSOR

**AMENDMENT**

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 28, 2004 (Part of Paper No./Mail Date 20040625). This response is being timely submitted on September 28, 2004 in advance of the deadline of October 28, 2004.

Kindly amend the above-identified application, without prejudice, as follows: